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REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, the claims 1-7, 9, 11 and 12 are cancelled and claims 8, 10 and 13 are amended.

No new matter is presented and, accordingly, approval and entry of the amended claims 8, 10 and 13 are respectfully requested.

Accordingly, independent claims 8, 10 and 13 remain pending herein and reconsideration of same is respectfully requested.

Approval and entry of the foregoing, amended claims 8, 10 and 13 are respectfully requested.

RESPONSE TO REJECTIONS OF THE OUTSTANDING ACTION

Claim 11-13 were objected to but otherwise indicated to include patentable subject matter and to be allowable if suitably rewritten to independent form.

In accordance with the foregoing, independent claim 8 has been rewritten to include the limitations of dependent claim 11/8 and the resulting amended claim 8 accordingly is allowable.

Further, claim 10 has been rewritten to include the limitations of allowable claim 12/10 and, accordingly, the resulting, amended claim 10 is allowable.

Further, dependent claim 13/8 has been rewritten to independent form and, accordingly, independent claim 13 is submitted to be allowable.

CONCLUSION

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the remaining, pending claims herein patentably distinguish over the references and rejections of record and, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

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Respectfully submitted,

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